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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Ook Kim et al.

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FOR: Method And Apparatus For Encoding And

Coupling Control Signals Onto A

Common Bus A Plurality Of Parallel And Serial Disk Drives That Carries Signals At Double A Base Data Rate (as amended)

EXAMINER:

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This is a response to the Final Office Action mailed 11/28/2008. Please amend the application as indicated below, and consider applicants response..

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Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.

A Declaration under 37 CFR 1.131 and Exhibits A and B to that Declaration follow the signature page of this Amendment and form part of the Amendment and Response.